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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 10 January 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 19-27 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 19-27 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 11/26/04, 3/7/05.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Objections

1. Claim 24 is objected to because of the following informalities: Line 1 reads "claim 19" and should be changed to --claim 23--.
2. Claim 25 is objected to because of the following informalities: Line 1 reads "claim 19" and should be changed to --claim 23--.
3. Claim 26 is objected to because of the following informalities: Line 1 reads "claim 19" and should be changed to --claim 23--. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

4. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

5. Claims 19-27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Machida et al. (6,035,304) [Machida].

Regarding claims 19, 23, and 27, Machida teaches a method, system, and computer program product for synchronizing and propagating changes to an event (a main service which is synchronized with additional services, wherein the main service is the event, col. 5, lines 21-35) comprising:

Assigning an event an event identifier (application ID 110 in fig. 7, col. 5, lines 36-50 and col. 9, lines 24-65);

Registering an event in a first table (fig. 7) wherein said first table stores the event identifier (110) and an event trigger (event attribute 250, col. 17, lines 16-25);

Registering interests in a second table (method index, col. 10, lines 25-26) wherein said second table stores a procedure to execute for said event trigger (method attribute 180, col. 19, lines 28-49);

Changing said event wherein said change generates an event trigger (receiving user input during execution of an event, such as user interaction with an interactive commercial, col. 22, lines 50-67);

Inspecting said first table for said event trigger for said event;

Inspecting said second table for said procedure to execute upon said event trigger event for said event identifier;

Executing said procedure (upon receiving user input for a display operation, the Display message associated with the event is used to locate the corresponding DisplayInfo method for execution, col. 22, lines 50-67, wherein the commercial, or main application, is the event, the Display message is the event trigger, and the DisplayInfo method is the procedure to execute).

Further, the registering takes place during initialization of the system, wherein the event and method tables must first be generated prior to receiving event triggers (col. 22, lines 29-37).

Regarding claims 20 and 24, Machida discloses the method and system of claims 19 and 23, wherein said inspecting of said first table uses said event identifier (an inherent feature, as the event ID is the means by which an event is identified for any initiated operation).

Regarding claims 21 and 25, Machida discloses the method and system of claims 19 and 23, wherein said inspecting of said second table uses said event identifier and said event trigger (an inherent feature, as both the event and the action taken in the event are both necessary for retrieving the proper method and applying it to the proper event).

Regarding claims 22 and 26, Machida discloses the method and system of claims 19 and 23, wherein said procedure modifies a data model (executing procedures modify the model of data used for display, as the executing procedures modify the display, col. 22 line 50 – col. 23 line 18 and figs. 58-60).

Conclusion

6. The following are suggested formats for either a Certificate of Mailing or Certificate of Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a). The certification may be included with all correspondence concerning this application or proceeding to establish a date of mailing or transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a). Proper use of this procedure will result in such communication being considered as timely if the established date is within the required period for reply. The Certificate should be signed by the individual actually depositing or transmitting the correspondence or by an individual who, upon information and belief, expects the correspondence to be mailed or transmitted in the normal course of business by another no later than the date indicated.

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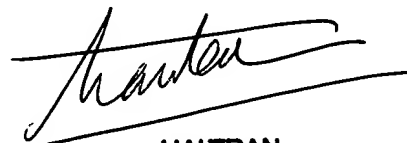
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dominic D. Saltarelli whose telephone number is (571) 272-7302. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 7:00am - 4:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Christopher Grant can be reached on (571) 272-7294. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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PRIMARY EXAMINER